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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action mailed March 25, 2003 that made a restriction requirement between the following groups:

Group I - claims 1-22 and 27-30 drawn to methods of killing or inhibiting a microorganism,

Group II - claims 23-25 drawn to methods of preserving a cosmetic product, and

Group III - claim 26 drawn to methods of cleaning contact lenses.

In addition, Applicants were requested to elect a species of enhancing agent and environment in which the microorganism is present.

In response, Applicants elect with traverse the invention of Group I, and syringate derivatives as the species of enhancing agent and laundry as the species of environment. Claims 1-6, 10, 11, 15, 17, 18, 20 and 22 read thereon. Applicants hereby reserve the right to file continuing applications directed to the nonelected subject matter.

The basis for traverse is that there would not be a serious burden on the examiner if restriction and election of species were not required.

The Examiner is hereby invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if there are any questions concerning this response or application.

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